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MEMORANDUM FOR: HOPWA Formula and Competitive Grantees
HUD State and Area Office Community Planning and
Development Directors

FROM: Pamela H. Patenaude, Assistant Secretary, D

SUBJECT: HOPWA 2006 Reporting Requirements – Measuring
Outcomes

On behalf of the Department, I am pleased to provide you with improved reporting tools for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. Your use of the attached reporting forms will demonstrate the effectiveness of the federal resources used to help HOPWA clients achieve stable housing outcomes and improve their access to care.

By adding a focus on client outcomes, the improved reporting tools strengthen HUD's partnership with your community by showing good stewardship in using HOPWA resources. This new focus on client outcomes is an ambitious effort, which complements the Department's initiative to develop an improved performance measurement system for formula programs under the Consolidated Plan process. These tools support the evaluation of HUD's housing effort and may identify adjustments needed to better provide a suitable living environment with appropriate support.

HUD recognizes that the use of these forms will require additional effort in administering these grants. The Office of HIV/AIDS Housing has arranged for technical assistance to provide training and other guidance on these new tools. I urge you to use the technical support offered in collaboration with the HUD staff in your local Community Planning and Development office. HUD will be working over the next year to enhance the related information technology system used for the HOPWA program. This office also welcomes your comments on your experience in using these updated documents.

Thank you for your commitment to assisting persons living with HIV/AIDS through this partnership in providing HOPWA assistance in your community.